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**Research** Functional Data Analysis, Kernel Smoothing, Image Processing, High Dimensional Regression,

Interests Text Mining, Recommender System, Spatial Statistics

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## **Education**

2019-Now Ph.D. Candidate in Statistics, United States

University of Rochester, Department of Biostatistics and Computational Biology

Thesis: Image Processing with Optimally Designed Parabolic Partial Differential Equations

**2016-2018** M.S. in Applied Statistics, United States

Rochester Institute of Technology, School of Mathematical Sciences

Thesis: Statistical Aspects of Music Mining – Native Dictionary Representation

**2012-2016** B.S. in Finance; Textile Engineering ( $1^{st}$  yr), China

Donghua University, Glorious Sun School of Business and Management

Thesis: Impact of Index Futures On Stock Market Volatility - Based On GARCH Model

#### **Honors and Awards**

#### **Scholarship**

- William Jackson Hall Graduate Student Fellowship for academic excellence, 2023-2024 awarded annually to one PhD student in UR Biostat Dept through the combination of outstanding performance in coursework and qualifying exams; excellence in their service as a graduate student teaching assistant; and timely completion of a dissertation containing work judged to be of particular significance in both its methodological contribution and potential impact in applications.
- **Dean's Ph.D. Fellowship** for PhD study in University of Rochester, 2019-2021
- RIT Merit Scholarship for Master Study in RIT, 2016-2018

#### Conference Award

- Gold Medal for Data Analytics Competition in UpStat Conference, 2021
- ASA Section on Text Analysis Best Student Presentation Award in JSM Conference, 2020
- Gold Medal for Best Student Research Award in UpStat Conference, 2019
- NC ASA Young Researcher Award in AISC Conference, 2018
- Gold Medal for Best Student Research Award in UpStat Conference, 2018
- Young Scientific Leader Award in UpStat Conference, 2017 2018
- Student Scholarship Winners for SAS Global Forum, 2017

#### **Travel Award**

- SIAM SEAS Travel Award for SIAM SEAS Conference, VT, 2023
- JSM DWMP Travel Award for JSM Conference, Washington DC, 2022
- **ACNN Travel Award** for Big Data Neuroscience Workshop, *UMich*, 2019
- **SAMSI Travel Award** for Deep Learning Opening Workshop, *Duke*, 2019
- **ASA Travel Award** for IMS/ASA Spring Research Conference, *VT*, 2019
- RIT Research & Creativity Travel Award for JSM Conference, *Vancouver*, 2018

## **Publications**

#### Published or Accepted:

2023	LeBlanc, P., Banks, D., Fu, L., Li, M., Tang, Z., <b>Wu, Q.</b> (2023). "Recommender Systems: A Review"
	Journal of the American Statistical Association (2023): 1-21. doi: 10.1080/01621459.2023.2279695

- Panisch, L., Murphy, H., **Wu, Q.** et al (2023). "Adverse childhood experiences predict diurnal cortisol throughout gestation." *Psychosomatic Medicine*. 85(6), 507-516.
- **Wu, Q.** et al (2022). "A conditional approach for joint estimation of wind speed and direction under future climates." *Advances in Statistical Climatology, Meteorology and Oceanography* 8.2: 205-224.
- Murphy, H., Gu, Y., **Wu**, **Q**., et al (2022). "Prenatal Diurnal Cortisol: Normative Patterns and Associations with Affective Symptoms and Stress." *Psychoneuroendocrinology (2022):* 105856.
- **2021** Frigau, L., **Wu, Q.**, Banks, D. (2021). "Optimizing the JSM Program." *Journal of the American Statistical Association (2021)*: 1-21. doi: 10.1080/01621459.2021.1978466
- **2018 Wu, Q.**, Fokoue, E., & Kudithipudi, D. (2018). "An Ensemble Learning Approach to the Predictive Stability of Echo State Networks. *Journal Of Informatics And Mathematical Sciences*", 10(1 & 2), 181 199. doi: 10.26713/jims.v10i1-2.827
- **2018 Wu, Q.** (2018). "Statistical Aspects of Music Mining: Naive Dictionary Representation." *Thesis*. RIT Scholar Works. *Accessed from https://scholarworks.rit.edu/theses/*9932

#### **Under Review:**

- LeBlanc, P.; **Wu**, **Q**., et al. (2022). New Ideas in Recommender Systems (submitted to Journal of Statistical Theory and Practice)
- Murphy, H., **Wu, Q.**, et al. (2022). Examining the bidirectional relationship between cortisol and gestational weight gain across pregnancy (submitted to International Journal of Obesity)

#### Ad-hoc

2021 Short Interview Piece appears in July 2021 issue of Amstat News magazine "TAIG Contest Winners Tell of Experience"

#### Archived:

**2019 Wu, Q.**, Fokoue, E. (2019). Naive Dictionary On Musical Corpora: From Knowledge Representation To Pattern Recognition. *arXiv:1811.12802* 

# **Research Experience**

Jun.2022 - Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, GRS Advanced Analytics team, US

Aug.2022 Data Scientist Intern

Mentor: Dr. Robert Yuen

Project Topic: Predicting the profitability of construction projects via structured data and NLP

Jun.2020 - Argonne National Laboratory (ANL), CELS/EVS Division, US

Aug.2020 Research Aide Intern

Mentor: Dr. Jiali Wang & Dr. Whitney Huang & Dr. Julie Bessac Research Fields: Uncertainty Quantification; Wind Modeling

Jun.2019 - Argonne National Laboratory (ANL), CELS/MCS Division, US

Aug.2019 Research Associate

Mentor: Dr. Julie Bessac & Dr. Whitney Huang & Dr. Jiali Wang Research Fields: Spatial Statistics; Extreme Value Analysis

May.2018 - Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (SAMSI), US

May.2019 Graduate Research Fellow

Mentor: Dr. David Banks

Research Fields: Text Mining; Spatial Statistics

Dec.2016 - Rochester Institute of Technology, Department of Computer Engineering, US

Nov.2017 Research Assistant

Mentor: Dr. Dhireesha Kudithipudi & Dr. Ernest Fokoué

Research Fields: Neural Networks; Ensemble Learning; Topic Modeling

## **Teaching Experience**

2019-2023 University of Rochester: Teaching Assistant

- BST 426 [Spr 23] Linear Models
- BST 467 [Spr 21] Applied Statistics in the Biomedical Sciences
- BST 467 [Spr 20] Applied Statistics in the Biomedical Sciences

2017-2018 Rochester Institute of Technology: Teaching Assistant

- STAT 747 [Spr 18] Principles of Statistical Data Mining
- MATH 251 [Spr 17] Probability and Statistics

# **Consulting Experience**

- Department of Biostatistics, University of Rochester.
  Responsibilities: To assist members of URMC academic community with statistical design, data analysis, and software issues for their research.
- Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO-UPSIDE project)
  Responsibilities: Statistical design, data analysis and paper writing for URMC ECHO researches using models such as ICC, PCA, CCA, LMER etc.
  - Luminex Immune Data Analysis (via ICC, PCA, CCA models)
  - Fetal Growth Study (via LMER models)
  - Prenatal Diurnal Cortisol Study (via LMER models)

## **Professional Service and Volunteerism**

- Officer & Webmaster, ASA Section on Text Analysis, 2023 Present
- Session Chair, "Approaches in Clustering for Analysis of Emerging Data Types", JSM, 2022
- Committee Member, ICSA 2020 Applied Statistics Symposium Photo Contest, 2021
- Student Representative, ASA Text Analysis Interest Group, 2020 Present
- Event Editor, International Astrostatistic Association, 2018 Present
- Committee Member, ICSA 2020 Applied Statistics Symposium Talent Show, 2020
- Session Chair, 8th Annual Conference of the Upstate New York Chapters of ASA, 2019
- Journal Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics: Systems, 2019
- Session Organizer, Chair Session "Application of Text Mining", UpStat Conference, 2018
- **Judge** for Pre-College Statistical Data Analysis Competition, *UpStat Conference*, 2018
- Judge for Undergraduate Data Competitation, ASA DataFest, 2018
- **Mentor** for Data Competition, *ASA DataFest*, 2017 2018
- Session Organizer, Chair Session "Environment and Health", UpStat Conference, 2017
- Technical Translator, Deep Learning for NLP at Oxford with Deep Mind, Big Data Digest, 2017
- Volunteer for Imagine RIT: Innovation + Creativity Festival, *Imagine RIT*, 2017
- Peer Mentor, CET Academic Programs, 2015 (Honored with Best Mentor via election)

## **Presentations**

Jul.2019

Mar.2023	SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section Conference 2023 - Blacksburg VA, US - SIAM23
	<b>Contributed,</b> A conditional approach for joint estimation of wind speed and direction under future climates
Aug.2022	Joint Statistical Meetings 2022 - Washington DC, US - JSM2021
	Topic Contributed, Text Mining and Music Mining
May.2022	UR Biostatistics Department Annual Student Workshop - Rochester, NY - URMC
	Seminar Talk, Partial Differential Equation & Kernel Smoothing Modeling In Image Analysis
Sep.2021	Classification and Data Analysis Group Conference - Florence, Italy - CLADAG
	Invited, Minimizing Conflicts of Interest: Optimizing the JSM Program
Aug.2021	Joint Statistical Meetings 2021 - Seattle (Virtual), US - JSM2021
	Topic Contributed, Minimizing Conflicts of Interest: Optimizing the JSM Program
Feb.2021	Data Science DC - Washington DC (Virtual), US - DSDC/TAIG
	Invited, Text Mining and Music Mining [Video]
Dec.2020	ICSA 2020 Applied Statistics Symposium - Texas (Virtual), US - ICSA2020
	Poster, Bayesian and Unsupervised Machine Learning Machines for Jazz Music Analysis
Aug.2020	SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Planet Earth - California (Virtual), US - MPE20
	Contributed, Statistical Wind Conditions Assessment across inland and off-shore US under Future Climate Scenarios
Aug.2020	Joint Statistical Meetings 2020 - Philadelphia (Virtual), US - JSM2020
	Contributed, Naive Dictionary On Musical Corpora: From Knowledge Representation To Pattern Recognition
Aug.2019	Argonne National Laboratory - ANL/MCS
	Lightning Talk, Wind Conditions Assessment in North-America Under Climate Change Scenarios

Joint Statistical Meetings 2019 - Denver, US - JSM2019 **Poster,** Exploratory analysis of Hurricane Storm Surge

May.2019	IMS/ASA Spring Research Conference - SRC 2019
111uy.2010	Poster, Uncertainty Quantification in Tropical Cyclone Climatology
May.2019	Statistical Perspectives on Uncertainty Quantification (SPUQ) Workshop - SPUQ 2019
111uy.2010	Poster, Exploratory Analysis of Tropical Cyclone Climatology
Apr.2019	6th Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist (BFF) Conferences - BFF 2019
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Apr.2019	8th Annual Conference of the UPSTAT New York Chapters of ASA - UpStat 2019
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Nov.2018	SAMSI Model Uncertainty Program Storm Surge Working Group - SAMSI
	Seminar Talk, Initial Exploratory Analysis of Synthetic Storm Tracks (30 minutes talk)
Oct.2018	SAMSI Model Uncertainty Program Data Fusion Working Group - SAMSI
	Seminar Talk, Data Fusion for Music Mining (40 minutes talk)
Oct.2018	International Conference on Advances in Interdisciplinary Statistics and Combinatorics - AISC
	Contributed, Machine Learning for Music Mining with LDA Model, SAMSI Academic Session
Sep.2018	Data Science Research Group in Rochester Institute of Technology - DSRG
	Seminar Talk, Statistical Aspects of Music Mining (80 minutes lecture)
Sep.2018	Cornell Day of Statistics 2018 - Cornell
	Poster, Bayesian and Unsupervised Machine Learning Machines for Jazz Music Analysis
Jul.2018	Joint Statistical Meetings 2018 - Vancouver, Canada - JSM
	Poster, Bayesian and Unsupervised Machine Learning Machines for Jazz Music Analysis
Apr.2018	7th Annual Conference of the UPSTAT New York Chapters of ASA - UpStat 2018
	Contributed, Music Mining In Topic Modeling Approach For Improvisational Learning
Feb.2018	Graduate Seminar in Rochester Institute of Technology - RIT
	Seminar Talk, Topic Modeling with LDA Tutorial (80 minutes lecture)
Nov.2017	Graduate Showcase in Neuroscience and Signal Processing Session - RIT
	Contributed, Statistical Challenges of Echo State Networks
Nov.2017	6th Annual Conference of the UPSTAT New York Chapters of ASA - UpStat 2017
	Contributed, Statistical Aspects about Echo State Networks

## **Professional Affiliation**

- American Statistical Association (ASA)
- Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS)
- International Astrostatistics Association (IAA)
- International Society for Bayesian Analysis (ISBA)
- Astrostatistics and Astroinformatics Portal (ASAIP)
- International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA)

# **Skills and Interests**

- **Programming:** Python, R, SAS, MATLAB, LATEX, SQL
- Marathon: Finish 26.2-mile journey in limited time, 2017, 2018, 2019
- Music: Perform Ghanaian and Senegalese music as member of African Percussion & Dance Ensemble
- Other: Piano, Hot Yoga, Surfing, Snowboarding, Hiking, Climbing, Taekwondo, Sketching, Culinary Arts